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**MULTI-LAYER DISC DRIVE HOUSING STRUCTURE**

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
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### ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S)

Supplemental Sheet

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Attorney Docket No. P1494US01  
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WHEREAS, I/we Mathew Daniel of 6417 Rambridge Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73162, and Svetlana I. Kovinskaya of 2019 Windsong, Edmond, Oklahoma 73034 are the inventors of an invention entitled MULTI-LAYER DISC DRIVE HOUSING STRUCTURE that is the subject matter of: (check all that apply)

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- an international application for Letters Patent filed pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty which is identifiable in the United States Receiving Office by Application No. and filed on ; and

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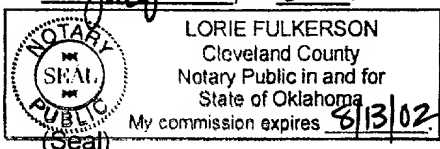
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